

November 28, 2018

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals HG-1, L'Enfant Plaza U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Ave., SW Washington, D.C. 20585-1615

RE: FOIA Appeal of Paul Galante

Dear Sir/Madam:

On November 27, 2018, we received by U.S. Mail the enclosed FOIA Appeal from Mr. Paul Galante that concerns his FOIA request responded to by the Department of Energy (DOE), National Nuclear Security Administration, Office of General Counsel in Albuquerque, NM. He mailed his Appeal to our street address by mistake. He also mistakenly addressed it to the Defense Threat Reduction Agency who had referred his original request to DOE for response. We think he is confused that OGIS handles appeals, and OGIS is part of NARA. He does not understand that OGIS is a mediation and dispute resolution office, and not an appellate authority.

I am copying Mr. Galante on this letter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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